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POLICE INVESTIGATE MURDER IN PACIFIC BEACH

(San Diego) San Diego Police Department Homicide Unit detectives are investigating a murder inside a Pacific Beach apartment and the arrest of a suspect several hours later.

At 4:53 a.m., a citizen called SDPD Communications to report a dead person inside an apartment in the 800 block of Agate Street. Paramedics pronounced the victim dead at the scene at 4:58 a.m.. While detectives interviewed neighbors, collected information about the apartment's resident(s), and prepared a search warrant for permission to enter the apartment, officers responded to a pedestrian versus vehicle collision (at 9:06 a.m.) at Chalcedony Street and Mission Boulevard. The driver of the vehicle told officers that the pedestrian stepped into traffic in front of her. The pedestrian was identified as Ian Suazo, 21. Suazo was also identified as the renter of the apartment in which the victim was found.

Suazo was transported to a trauma center for treatment of serious injuries. Based on information developed by detectives, Suazo was arrested for murder. A police guard will be placed on Suazo until he can be arraigned.

The victim has not been positively identified, nor is the victim's cause of death or motive for the crime known.

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